In the Claims

1. (Once amended) A process for the polymerization of olefins comprising contacting olefins with a catalyst system comprising alumoxane and a catalyst precursor represented by the formula

 $CpD^{a}(JY)(Q)_{(a-2),}$

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wherein:

Cp is a substituted cyclopentadienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkadienyl group other than cyclopentadienyl or a related cycloalkadienyl cogener,

Each Q is independently an anionic leaving group,

J is a Group 16 atom, a is the oxidation state of D,

D is a Group 4 metal, provided however that when Cp is mono-cyclic unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl group, D is not titanium, and

Y is a heteroatom, a substituted heteroatom or a C_1 to C_{100} hydrocarbyl group that may optionally contain one or more heteroatom(s).

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- 5. (Once amended) The process of claim 3 wherein Cp is a substituted indenyl or fluorenyl group
- 6. (Cancel)

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- 9. (Once amended) The process of claim 1 wherein Y is a C₁ to C₄₀ alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or aryl alkyl group.
- 12. (Cancel)

- 13. (Cancel)
- 18. (Once amended) A composition comprising alumoxane and a catalyst precursor represented by the formula

 $C/D^a(JY)(Q)_{(a-2),}$

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wherein:

Cp is a substituted exclopentadienyl or a substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkadienyl group other than cyclopentadienyl or a related cycloalkadienyl cogener,

each Q is independently an anionic leaving group,

J is a Group 16 atom,

a is the oxidation state of D,

D is a Group 4 metal, provided however that when Cp is mono-cyclic unsubstituted cyclopentadienyl group, D is not titanium, and

Y is a heteroatom, a substituted heteroatom or a C_1 to C_{100} hydrocarbyl group that may optionally contain one or more heteroatom(s).

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- 22. (Once Amended) The composition of claim 18 wherein Cp is a substituted indenyl or fluorent group [the indene or fluorine is substituted].
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- 26. (Once amended) The composition of claim 18 wherein Y is a C₁ to C₄₀ alkyl, alkynyl, aryl, or anyl alkyl group.
- 29. (Cancel)
- 30. (Cancel)